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what I originally read, is your intent that the wage benefit credit can't be spent on genetic testing or screening?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, I want to outright prohibit genetic testing.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Okay, I read it...I am sorry, I read it a different way. You want to prohibit the company from using genetic testing or screening, period?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, that's why I say it is prohibited and not that the credit could not be used for that purpose.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Oh, yeah, when I read it, it was in the credit section so I...I appreciate your making that clear.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Could I make a comment?

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Sure.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I could have done it as a separate section but I was trying to emphasize the point by putting it in a part of the bill that talks about things that are supposed to be beneficial for the employees. But if other people would read it to apply only to what these credits could be expended for, I could redraft it to make a special section because my intent is to prohibit it, period.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Okay, and that helps me. The other one, when I read it, it talks about genetic testing or screening. Do you mean screening to be any type of screening for an employee or did you mean it to be genetic screening?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Genetic, and I could say genetic testing or genetic screening.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Okay, and my reading skills, well, if I had a better education and gone through some of these employee training programs, I might be able to read better.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But, no, that...those are good questions on